



# Mrs. Ainsley: Language Arts 8

2024-2025



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### Supplies

- ☐ Pencils/Pens
- ☐ 3-ring Binder
- ☐ 4-5 dividers
- ☐ 1 posterboard  
(Helpful Hint: Dollar Tree by Taco Bell has them for \$1.25)
- ☐ Notebook (optional but helpful)

### Divider Labels

- ☐ Grammar
- ☐ Writing
- ☐ Vocabulary
- ☐ Handouts
- ☐ Conventions Journal  
(not needed if using notebook)

### Weekly Homework

Assignments not finished in class may also be assigned for homework.

#### Vocabulary

- Sentences and affix work due each Wednesday
- Quizzes given on Wednesdays

#### Study Island

- Assigned on Fridays
- Due the following Friday
- May be recompleated for higher score

#### Reading Logs

- Assigned on Monday
- Due that Friday
- Reading portion should be completed in class. The back is homework.

### Big Questions

Language Arts 8 is designed to help students continue to develop their active reading and critical thinking skills and improve their ability to communicate effectively.

How can I elevate my writing to both effectively communicate ideas and include elements of style?

What do good readers do to understand a text?

How do different parts of a text help convey its meaning?



## Stay in the Know!

All assignments **and reading materials** are posted on Google Classroom.

Students receive a paper calendar each month and have access to it digitally.

Daily agendas and homework reminders are posted daily on **Remind**.



# Mrs. Ainsley's Policies and Procedures

## 2023-2024

All school policies will be enforced in this class.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### What happens if I don't have my assignment done by its due date?

Your homework is due at the beginning of the period. You may turn it in the next day in class for **HALF** credit.

#### What is an Oops pass?

At the beginning of the year, you will receive 3 Oops! Passes. Use these to turn in an assignment one day late without penalty or two days late for half credit. Unused passes can be redeemed for bonus.

#### What happens if I'm absent?

Check the make-up work binder for your work. You are responsible for any work that you have missed. It is also your responsibility to arrange to make up any quizzes or tests. You can find all of our stories on Google Classroom.

##### As per school policy:

- If you missed 1-3 days, you have the number of days missed to make up your assignments.
- If you missed 4 or more days, work must be completed within five school days.
- If you collect work before your absence, the work is expected to be completed by the time you return.

#### What happens if I'm absent the day before a test or during a writing work day?

You will still take the quiz or test the day it is given. I will always give you test dates in advance. Final copy dates of essays will still be due on the due date since there is usually a week given between the last in-class work day and final copy due date.

#### What can I do to improve my grade?

Rarely will I assign extra credit or bonus points. If you think you could do better on a graded assignment, you are welcome to come in after school to re-work the assignment and earn half of the missing points back on your score. You must attend tutoring to earn the points.

Extra help and tutoring is available Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays after school in my room until 3:20.

Please return the last page of this letter to class for homework points. This can be completed electronically by parents/guardians.

Parent/Guardian Contact Information  
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**Parent/Guardian Portion**

Scan the QR code to complete this form online!

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Preference:      email              phone call

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Portion**

Name I Go By: \_\_\_\_\_

House: (Circle One)              Mahaney              Pierce              Pebly              Sharp

Favorite Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Class/Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Movie: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Music: \_\_\_\_\_

Sports/Clubs/Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Three Things You Think I Should Know About You:

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